

- (3) Reduce mortality and morbidity among children and youth by reducing the incidence of communicable disease and other preventable conditions, the occurrence and severity of injuries, the incidence of genetic disorders, and the incidence of chronic illnesses and developmental disabilities.
- (4) Enhance the health and functional status of children and youth with chronic handicapping conditions by reducing the severity of the conditions through the provision of early identification, diagnosis, treatment, and care coordination services.

Section 11.63.(b) The Department shall not include federal categorical funds, competitive special project funds, and funds for regionalized services in grant funds awarded to local health departments under the Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children Grant Program.

Section 11.63.(c) The Department shall require participating local health departments to identify and report expenditures by program in order to monitor and track the use of Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children Grant Program funds to meet federal and State reporting requirements. In addition, the Department shall require local health departments to report on the administrative, programmatic, and health outcome benefits which are realized by providing localities greater flexibility.

Section 11.63.(d) The Department shall report to members of the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and the Senate Appropriations Committee on Human Resources on the implementation of the Healthy Mothers/Healthy Children Grant Program not later than April 1, 2000.

Requested by: Representatives Earle, Nye, Easterling, Hardaway, Redwine, Senators Martin of Guilford, Plyler, Perdue, Odom

PREVENTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM PLAN

Section 11.64. The Department of Health and Human Services shall develop a plan to reduce duplication among preventive health programs and initiatives, focusing on task forces, advisory committees, local health departments, and other entities supported by and within the Chronic Disease Prevention and Control Section of the Division of Public Health. In developing the plan, the Department shall do the following:

- (1) Examine the goals of each program or initiative to identify areas of commonality and differences;
- (2) Explore alternative ways of organizing the Section to achieve greater efficiency and effectiveness.

The Department shall report on the development of its plan to members of the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and the Senate Appropriations Committee on Human Resources, and the Fiscal Research Division not later than April 1, 2000.